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Governmental & Legislative Affairs

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January 8, 2015

The Honorable Rob Bonta
Chair, Assembly Health Committee
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 1238 (Linder) – Electronic Request of Vital Records
As Amended April 20, 2015 – SUPPORT

Dear Chairman Bonta:

The County of San Bernardino is pleased to support AB 1238, legislation will authorize the State Registrar, a local registrar, or a county recorder to accept an electronic request for a marriage, birth, or death certificate if the requestor attests, under penalty of perjury, they are an authorized person.

AB 1238 would allow local jurisdictions to provide consumers with the option to complete an online request for vital records – something that 33 other states currently allow. Requestors would have to complete a knowledge-based authentication method to definitively establish their identity as an authorized person. AB 1238 will significantly reduce the amount of time it takes to request vital records, and will also reduce the costs incurred. Both consumers and records offices will benefit from the option to electronically request vital records.

For these reasons, the County of San Bernardino is pleased to support AB 1238 and respectfully requests an “Aye” vote when the bill comes before your committee. If you have any questions, please contact Josh Candelaria, Director of Governmental and Legislative Affairs at (909) 387-4821 or jcandelaria@sbcountry.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James Ramos".

JAMES RAMOS
Board of Supervisors Chairman
Third District Supervisor
County of San Bernardino

c: Honorable Members and Consultants, Assembly Health Committee
The Honorable Eric Linder, California State Assemblyman

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